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Applicant: Paul R. Stonikas et al **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING** I hereby certify that this correspondence is being Appln. No.: Ser. No. 09/892,137 deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Hon. Commissioner of Filed: June 26, 2001 Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on the date Title: Compressible Hearing Aid Group Art Unit: 2643 (Date) Attention Customer Service Center, Initial Patent RECEIVED **Examination Division** JAN 2 8 2002 Docket No.: **BLP 128.1 US**

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RE NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)

Hon. Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

With reference to the attached notice dated October 16, 2001, we are attaching a copy of our Transmittal of the formal drawings dated September 6, 2001and a copy of our Transmittal of the executed Declaration dated October 12, 2001. Your above communication may have crossed with our Transmittal of the executed Declaration. Undersigned attorney would appreciate a telephone call acknowledging receipt of this communication.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)

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Filing Date Granted

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has received your reply on 09/10/2001 to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed 08/15/2001 and it has been entered into the nonprovisional application. The reply, however, does not include the following items required in the Notice.

The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application.

The required items noted below SHOULD be filed along with any items required above. The filing date of this nonprovisional application will be the date of receipt of the items required above.

The oath or declaration is missing.
 A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE

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RESPONSE T MISSING PAR	ONOTION TO FILE TS OF APPLICATION	Docket No.:	BLP 128.1			
Applicant(s): Paul R. Stonikas, Steven C. Hannibal, Gregory Prutnikov, Roman Klyachman, Manolo J. Blancaflor						
Serial No.:	09/892,137	Filing Date:	June 26, 2001			
Group Art Unit:	2643	Examiner:	Not assigned			
Invention: Com	pressible Hearing Aid					

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JAN 2 8 2002 Transmitted herewith in response to the Office letter dated August 15, 2001 are: Executed declaration or oath for this application. Ø **Technology Center 2600**

- Response copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application. X
- Statement(s) of Small Entity Status.
- Missing Parts surcharge fee for this application. Ø
- Filing Fee for this application.
- A check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the filing fee and/or surcharge. Ø
- Charge \$_ to Deposit Account No. 04-1644.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this X application under 37 C.F.R. §1.15-§1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 04-1644. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that this document and fee (if applicable) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage at First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Box Missing Parts, Washington, D.C. 20231 on October 12, 2001.



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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

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Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:

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 drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers dated August 15, 2001, copy enclosed, enclosed please find 38 sheets of formal application drawing(s) to replace the originally-filed informal drawings for the above-identified application. Each sheet of drawings indicates the identifying information as suggested in 37 CFR §1.84(c) on the front side of the drawing(s). Entry into the record is respectfully requested. Any fee resulting from the Official Draftsman's comparison of the enclosed formal drawings with the drawings on file should be charged to Applicant's attorneys' Deposit Account No. 04-1644.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that this document (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage at First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on September 6, 2001

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